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"State Plans to Pursue Lawsuit Over Tribal Land, & The Associated Press State & Local Wire, June 13, 2004.

["SIOUX FALLS, S.D The state plans to appeal a 14-year-old lawsuit over 91 acres of land outside reservation borders that the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe wants to put into trust, thereby removing it from the property tax rolls Although no paperwork has been filed, Gov Mike Rounds told the Argus Leader of Sioux Falls that the state will pursue the case The lawsuit is a necessary legal inquiry into the limits of the federal government's ability to take land into trust, said Rounds First filed in 1990, the state's lawsuit against the Lower Brule Sloux Tribe has been heard before the U.S Supreme Court Most recently, the tribe won a ruling in its favor Lower Brule Chairman Michael Jandreau sees the lawsuit as an attack on tribal sovereignty ŒIt's way beyond the process of rational, consistent thinking It closely borders on blatant and overt racism,, said Jandreau ŒI just don't know how else to look at it ,%]

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